

# **News**

## **Macomb County Board of Commissioners and Planning & Economic Development Dept.**



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### **Student competition will raise awareness of Macomb trail system**

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – The Macomb County Department of Planning & Economic Development, in collaboration with the Macomb County Bike Shops and the Macomb Intermediate School District (MISD) are sponsoring a public awareness competition to promote use of the Macomb County trail system.

With roughly 100 miles already built, Macomb County has been a leader in the planning and development of trails. In 2009, the Macomb County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution to complete a 70 mile loop – in two years – that will stretch north from Metropolitan Parkway into the northern townships and connect the east and west borders of the county. County staff has provided technical assistance in the design and construction of municipal trails to link into the countywide loop.

The essay and graphic competition is open to students in grades 6-8, public or private schools. Students may elect to become involved in two different ways:

#### **1. Essay competition**

- Original essay, maximum of 500 words, theme is “Experience the Trails”
- Typewritten, or computer printed
- 500 word maximum
- Completed entry form included with submission (limited to one entry per student)
- Entrant’s home telephone number with area code in the upper right hand corner of each page of the essay. Do not include student’s name on the essay.
- Handwritten essays or essays presented in any other way will be disqualified.

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## 2. Poster competition

- Hand drawn, theme is “Experience the Trails”
- Any media
- Finished size 11” x 17”
- Completed entry form included with submission (limited to one entry per student)
- Entrant’s home telephone number with area code in the upper right hand corner of each page of the essay. This must be the same number that appears on the entry form. Do not include student’s name on the essay.

Deadline for all entries is January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Entries should be submitted to:

Macomb County Planning & Economic Development

Attn: John Crumm

1 S. Main St., 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

Mt. Clemens, MI 48043

There will be one winner in each category. First prize in both categories is a Trek bike, donated by Hamilton Bicycle and Outfitter of the City of Richmond and Macomb Bike and Fitness Incorporated of Warren.

For more details, visit [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net) under language arts or contact Carrie Wozniak at [cwoziak@misd.net](mailto:cwoziak@misd.net).

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